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(PATENT)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the application of:

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Examiner: Bryan Ready

Application No.: 10/809,825

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For: MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, MACHINE  
MANAGEMENT APPARATUS,  
MAINTENANCE WORK INSTRUCTING  
METHOD, RECORDING MEDIUM AND  
COMPUTER DATA SIGNAL

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed September 13, 2006 (Paper No. 20040326A). Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.